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In re Application of:

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 24, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions for an extension of time of two-months to and including January 24, 2002, in which to respond to the Office Action and the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures dated October 24, 2001.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$460.00 (small entity) to Deposit Account No. 01-2508/12740.0249.NPUS01. Should any additional fees be required relating to the enclosed materials, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Deposit Account

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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned patent agent at 713-787-1558 with comments relating to the referenced patent application.

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